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March 29, 2002

President Cathy Woolard and
Members of Atlanta City Council
City Hall, Suite 2900 South
68 Mitchell Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30335

RE: Appointment to Tree Conservation Commission

Dear President Woolard and Members of the Council:

It is a pleasure for me to appoint **Tom Kowalski** to serve as a member of the **Tree Conservation Commission** of the City of Atlanta in the **Botanist** position. This appointment is for a **term of two (2) years**, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

I am confident that Mr. Kowalski will serve the Tree Conservation Commission and the City of Atlanta with distinction. A resume is attached for your perusal.

Sincerely,



Shirley Franklin

Enclosures

Tom Kowalski

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I. Education

Cornell University - Bachelor of Science - 1968
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

University of Georgia - Master of Science - 1982
Horticulture and Greenhouse Management

II. Positions held with most recent employer

Georgia Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Manager 1983-1993
Nursery and Plant Protection Programs
Division Director 1993-1999
Plant Protection Division

III. Description of most recent job responsibilities and major achievements

Director, Plant Protection Division
Georgia Department of Agriculture

Under limited direction of an Assistant Commissioner, the Director performs duties of considerable difficulty in planning and directing several major statewide programs relating to Nursery Licensing and Inspection, Boll Weevil Eradication, Imported Fire Ant Certification, Sweet Potato Inspection and Certification, Vegetable Transplant Inspection and Certification, Seed Pathology, Phony Peach Inspection, Apiary Inspection and Certification, Phytosanitary Certification, Biotechnology Permit Approval, Horticultural Growing Media Registration, and other related plant regulatory programs. Serves as liaison for USDA cooperative programs. Serves as plant pathology, entomology, and identification information source for the Department. Writes articles, prepares reports, attends meetings, represents the Department. Performs administrative functions such as interviewing, hiring, employee management and appraisal, supervision, budget preparation and review, preparation and amendment of Rules, and program direction for statewide plant protection and pest management programs.

Committees and memberships - past and present

Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer Southern Plant Board

Chairman, Georgia Africanized Honey Bee Advisory Committee

Vice-Chairman, National Plant Board Nursery Certification Committee

Regulatory Director, Georgia Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation

Member of the Board of Directors, Southeastern Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation

Member of the Board, Interstate Pest Control Compact

Chairman, Southern Plant Board Resolutions Committee

Member, Georgia Gypsy Moth Advisory Board

Authorships related to most recent position

- * author of current Rules governing sale and distribution of nursery stock

- * author of current Rules governing sweet potato production

- * author of current Rules governing vegetable transplant production

- * author of Georgia Horticultural Growing Media Act of 1993

- * author of current Rules governing labeling of horticultural growing media

- * author of Boll Weevil Eradication Act of 1985

- * author of Rules governing boll weevil eradication

Other related work

Cooperator with Extension Horticulture; author of chapter in Certified Landscape Manual; author of chapter in Soil Media Book; speaker at Greenhouse School; frequent speaker at various regional educational meetings and trade shows

Reviewer of training material for Certified Pesticide Applicator Licenses

IV. Special honors or recognition related to current position

1988 named Young Nurseryman of the Year by the Georgia Nurserymen's Association

V. Other major positions held during work career

1970-1973 Research Associate, Biochemistry

Federal Plant Soil and Nutrition Laboratory, Ithaca, NY

(determined need of histidine as co-factor for absorption of iron into intestinal mucosa)

1973-1980 Research Associate in Neurochemistry,

Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, GA

(determined amino acid composition of myelin sheath of central nervous system of humans afflicted with multiple sclerosis)

VI. Other information and activities, past and present

Chairman, Atlanta Tree Preservation Review Board, (Jackson administration)

author of over two hundred horticultural articles published in various newspapers, brochures, books, and trade publications

member Atlanta Botanical Garden

private consultant in horticulture

harpsichordist (17th & 18th century European music)

writer of over three dozen short stories and numerous editorials

owner/manager, of nursery specializing in unusual plant material

gardener

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

MULTIPLE

02-C-0659 & 02-C0661

CONFIRM

YEAS: 14
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 1
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 1

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	Y Mitchell
Y Starnes	Y Fauver	Y Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	Y Willis
B Winslow	Y Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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A COMMUNICATION
FROM MAYOR SHIRLEY FRANKLIN

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FRANKLIN APPOINTING TOM KOWALSKI TO THE
TREE CONSERVATION COMMISSION. THIS
APPOINTMENT IS FOR A TERM OF TWO (2)
YEARS, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON THE DATE OF
COUNCIL CONFIRMATION.

CONFIRMED BY

MAY 06 2002

COUNCIL

- ☐ CONSENT REFER
☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
☐ PERSONAL PAPER REFER

Date Referred 4/1/02

Referred To: COC + CD / HR

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First Reading

Committee _____
Date _____
Chair _____
Referred to _____

Committee _____
Date 4/1/02
Chair _____
Action: _____
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Other: _____
Members _____
Refer To _____

Committee _____
Date 5/6/02
Chair _____
Action: _____
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Other: _____
Members _____
Refer To _____

FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

☐ 2nd ☐ 1st & 2nd ☐ 3rd
Readings
☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☒ RC Vote

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Catherine W. Woodard

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Franklin Schuman
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION